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SUBJECT: FY-2006 SCP: "THE ROLE OF THE PRESS IN A
DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY" NOVEMBER 27 - DECEMBER 11, 2005

1. THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS SECTION IN BAGHDAD NOMINATES EIGHT PARTICIPANTS, MS. HAKEMA AL SHEBLY; MS. KAZIMEA AMJASEER; MS. SABAH MOTEH; MS. ZAINAB SHA'ALAN; MS. HUDA MOHAMMED; MS. MONTAHA AHMED; MS. EYMAN THAMER; AND MS. ISRAA HASSAN FOR SUBJECT PROGRAM.

2. ALL EIGHT HAVE RECEIVED COUNTRY TEAM APPROVAL FOR THEIR PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM.

3. FULL BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION FOLLOWS:
START FIXED-FORMAT TEXT (PLEASE DO NOT EDIT):
: THE FOLLOWING DATA IS IN A FIXED FORMAT WHICH ENABLES
: AUTOMATED PROCESSING IN WASHINGTON AND SHOULD NOT BE
: EDITED EXCEPT BY MEANS OF THE POST-EVDB SOFTWARE.
EXPORT-SOURCE: POST-EVDB
VERSION: 3.0.7
POST-EMAIL: ALDADAWM@STATE.GOV
TRANSMITTING-POST: PAS AMMAN
TRANSMITTING-POST-ID: 2887
EXPORT-TYPE: BIO DATA
START NOMINATION:
ECA-OFFICE: E/VGN
PROG-AGENCY-NAME:
POST-PROJ-ID: 274
ECA-PROJ-NO:
PROJ-NAME: THE ROLE OF THE PRESS IN A DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY-
IRAQ
START MEMO PROJ-DESC:

END MEMO PROJ-DESC:
PROJ-TYPE: SINGLE COUNTRY PROJECT
PROG-TYPE: IV GRANT VISITOR
FY: 2006
DEPART-POST: 11/25/2005
SESSION-DATE: 11/27/2005
RETURN-POST: 12/12/2005
NO-OF-PART: 8
RANK-ORDER: 0
START MEMO POST-OBJ:

END MEMO POST-OBJ:
START MEMO POST-RCMD:

END MEMO POST-RCMD:
ECA-OFFICE-ID: 1039
PROG-AGENCY-ID:
PROJ-TYPE-ID: SCP
PROG-TYPE-ID: 29
NOMINATING-POST-ID: 2887
FUNDING-CNTRY-ID:
STATUS: N
ORIGINATOR: P
SUBJ-DISC: PRINT JOURNALISM
START BIO:
PREFIX: MS.
F-NAME: HAKEMA
M-NAME: A. HASOUN
L-NAME: AL SHEBLY
SUFFIX:
POSITION-CODE: 900
PRINCIPAL: YES
GENDER: F
DOB: 07/01/1964
MAR-STAT: M
BIRTH-CITY: AL-DIWANIYAH
BIRTH-CNTRY: IRAQ
CITIZ-CNTRY: IRAQ
RES-CNTRY: IRAQ
START MEMO POSITION:
INFORMATION OFFICER, DIWANIYAH EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
END MEMO POSITION:
START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
TEACHER, AL-QUDS HIGH SCHOOL
END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:
NONE
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:

START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
SAUDI ARABIA; JORDAN; SYRIA; MALAYSIA; AUSTRALIA; INDONESIA;
SOUTH AFRICA
END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
START MEMO EDUCATION:
LAW STUDENT, 2ND YEAR, QADISIYAH UNIVERSITY; HIGH DIPLOMA,
TEACHERS COLLEGE IN MAYSAN, 1986

END MEMO EDUCATION:
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
WOMEN AND CHILDREN ASSOCIATION; IRAQI CULTURAL CENTER; WOMEN
CENTER FOR DEVELOPMENT;
DEPUTY CHAIR OF CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS BOARD.

END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
RESEARCH ABOUT ADMINISTRATIVE CORRUPTION; EDITOR OF FREE
WOMAN MAGAZINE
END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:
NO PORK.
END MEMO SPEC-CONSID:
FIRST-LANG: ARABIC
ENGL-READ: 2
ENGL-SPEAK: 2
ENGL-COMP: 2
START MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:

END MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:
START MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:

END MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:
START MEMO VIS-OBJ:

END MEMO VIS-OBJ:
START MEMO VIS-REC:

END MEMO VIS-REC:
NOMINATING-OFFICER: PATRICK SMELLER
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
MS. AL SHEBLY HAS BEEN IMPRESSIVELY LEADING THE WOMEN AND
CHILDREN'S RIGHTS ASSOCIATION IN DIWANIYAH PROVINCE FOR MORE
THAN ONE YEAR; UNDER HER LEADERSHIP, THE ASSOCIATION HAS
TRAINED HUNDREDS OF LOCAL AREA WOMEN IN SKILLS RANGING FROM
SEWING TO SECRETARIAL TO HELP INCREASE THEIR CHANCES FOR
EMPLOYMENT; IN ADDITION, HER GROUP WAS ALSO ACTIVE IN
PROMOTING THE HISTORIC JANUARY 30 ELECTIONS AND HELD A
NUMBER OF KEY WOMEN'S CONFERENCES AND DEMOCRACY WORKSHOPS
STRESSING THE IMPORTANCE OF DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES, WOMEN'S
RIGHTS, AND VOTING; UNLIKE MANY OTHER NGOS STARTED DURING
THE CPA ERA, MS. AL SHEBLY'S HAS SURVIVED AND EVEN THRIVED
UNDER HER COMPETENT GUIDANCE; SHE NOT ONLY STARTED A
PRIVATE KINDERGARTEN TO EARN REVENUE TO SUPPORT THE
ASSOCIATION, BUT, WHEN FACED WITH EVICTION FROM THE BUILDING
THE CPA HAD ORIGINALLY PROVIDED THE GROUP, SHE ALSO TOOK
MATTERS INTO HER OWN HANDS AND WENT TO THE NATIONAL
GOVERNMENT IN BAGHDAD TO PLEAD HER CASE; SHE LEFT BAGHDAD
WITH A FIVE-YEAR CONTRACT FOR THE BUILDING HOUSING THE
ASSOCIATION AND MANY OTHER LOCAL NGOS; MS. AL SHEBLY IS A
TRUE COMMUNITY LEADER IN DIWANIYAH AND A STRONG SUPPORTER OF
THE U.S. AND COALITION FORCES; SHE IS AN IDEAL CANDIDATE FOR
THE IVP.

END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:

NOM-OFF: REO HILLAH
SPEAKER: NO
NOTIFY-EMB: YES
MEDIA: NO
HOME-STAY: NO
HOME-HOSP: YES
E-I-TYPE: INTERPRETER
NOMINEE-ID: 616
PERSON-ID: 615
BIRTH-CNTRY-ID: IZ
CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: IZ
RES-CNTRY-ID: IZ
FIRST-LANG-ID: AR
E-I-TYPE-ID: I
NOM-POST-ID: 2887
NOM-FUNDING-CNTRY-ID: 0
NOM-STATUS: N
DS2019-ACTION: 1
DS2019-SUBJECT: 09.0401
SPONS-FUNDS: 8000
SPONS-AGENCY1:
USGOVT-AGENCY1:
US-AGENCY-AMT1: 0
USGOVT-AGENCY2:
US-AGENCY-AMT2: 0
INTL-ORG1:
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT1: 0
INTL-ORG2:
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT2: 0
VIS-GOVT-AMT: 0
COMMISSION: 0

OTHER-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-CAT: 5
END BIO:
START BIO:
PREFIX: MS.
F-NAME: KAZIMEA
M-NAME: J.
L-NAME: AMJASEER
SUFFIX:
POSITION-CODE: 300
PRINCIPAL: YES
GENDER: F
DOB: 05/04/1963
MAR-STAT: M
BIRTH-CITY: BAGHDAD
BIRTH-CNTRY: IRAQ
CITIZ-CNTRY: IRAQ
RES-CNTRY: IRAQ
START MEMO POSITION:
VICE-PRESIDENT, HANDICAPPED IRAQI WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION
04/2004-PRESENT
END MEMO POSITION:
START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
NEWS REPORTER, AL-ABAA NEWSPAPER (5/2003 - PRESENT); NEWS
REPORTER, AL-JAMHORIA NEWSPAPER (3/93 - 3/96)

END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:
NONE
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
NONE
END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
START MEMO EDUCATION:
HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE (5/1988)

END MEMO EDUCATION:
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
JOURNALISTS UNION AND NOVELISTS UNION OF DIYALA
END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
THEY ASK ME, SO I SEE YOU (1997) AND NUMEROUS POETRY WORKS
END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:

END MEMO SPEC-CONSID:
FIRST-LANG: ARABIC
ENGL-READ: 1
ENGL-SPEAK: 1
ENGL-COMP: 1
START MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:

END MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:
START MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:

END MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:
START MEMO VIS-OBJ:

END MEMO VIS-OBJ:
START MEMO VIS-REC:

END MEMO VIS-REC:
NOMINATING-OFFICER: SHERMAN L. GRANDY
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
AS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE HANDICAPPED IRAQI WOMEN'S
ORGANIZATION, SHE HELPED ESTABLISH A SEWING FACTORY, WHICH
CURRENTLY HAS SIX EMPLOYEES; PROCEEDS FROM THE FACTORY ARE
USED TO HELP SUPPORT MORE THAN 1,000 HANDICAPPED WOMEN IN
DIYALA PROVINCE AND WOMEN IN FOUR OTHER PROVINCES THROUGHOUT
IRAQ; SHE AND THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE ORGANIZATION ARE IN
THE PROCESS OF ESTABLISHING AN ENGINEERING COMPANY, WHICH
WILL ALSO SUPPORT THE WOMEN'S ORGANIZATION; AS AN
ENTREPRENEUR, SHE IS LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE MONEY
TO SUPPORT NEEDY WOMEN IN IRAQ.
END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
NOM-OFF: SET - BAQUBAH
SPEAKER: NO
NOTIFY-EMB: YES
MEDIA: NO
HOME-STAY: NO
HOME-HOSP: YES
E-I-TYPE: INTERPRETER
NOMINEE-ID: 618
PERSON-ID: 598
BIRTH-CNTRY-ID: IZ
CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: IZ
RES-CNTRY-ID: IZ
FIRST-LANG-ID: AR
E-I-TYPE-ID: I
NOM-POST-ID: 2887
NOM-FUNDING-CNTRY-ID:

NOM-STATUS: N
DS2019-ACTION: 0
DS2019-SUBJECT: 09.0401
SPONS-FUNDS: 8000
SPONS-AGENCY1:
USGOVT-AGENCY1:
US-AGENCY-AMT1: 0
USGOVT-AGENCY2:
US-AGENCY-AMT2: 0
INTL-ORG1:
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT1: 0
INTL-ORG2:
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT2: 0
VIS-GOVT-AMT: 0
COMMISSION: 0
OTHER-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-CAT: 5
END BIO:
START BIO:
PREFIX: MS.
F-NAME: SABAH
M-NAME: KH.
L-NAME: MOTEB
SUFFIX:
POSITION-CODE: 621
PRINCIPAL: YES
GENDER: F
DOB: 11/10/1974
MAR-STAT: M
BIRTH-CITY: KIRBALLA
BIRTH-CNTRY: IRAQ
CITIZ-CNTRY: IRAQ
RES-CNTRY: IRAQ
START MEMO POSITION:
AL-TAAKHI NEWSPAPER: EDITOR, COLUMNIST AND EDITOR OF WEEKLY
SOCIAL SECTION.
END MEMO POSITION:
START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:
IRAQ WOMAN VOICE RADIO: EDITOR AND HOST OF A TALK SHOW ON
WOMEN'S RIGHTS AND THE CONSTITUTION
END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
FREE IRAQ RADIO: REPORTER 2003-2004, IRAQI NETWORK MEDIA;
ALSUMARIA TV: EDITOR AND HOST OF A POLITICAL TALK SHOW
END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:
NONE
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
BELGIUM; JORDAN
END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
START MEMO EDUCATION:
UNIVERSITY OF BAGHDAD / ENGLISH DEPARTMENT - COLLEGE OF
LANGUAGES 1996-2000.

END MEMO EDUCATION:
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
NONE
END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
THE FIRST NOVEL "EVERYTHING HAPPENS AT ITS TIME" WON A
SECOND PRIZE IN A LITERARY COMPETITION IN THE UNITED ARAB
EMIRATES IN 2001. CURRENTLY WORKING ON A SECOND NOVEL ABOUT
WOMEN'S ISSUES.
END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:

END MEMO SPEC-CONSID:
FIRST-LANG: ARABIC
ENGL-READ: 2
ENGL-SPEAK: 2
ENGL-COMP: 2
START MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:

END MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:
START MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:

END MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:
START MEMO VIS-OBJ:

END MEMO VIS-OBJ:
START MEMO VIS-REC:

END MEMO VIS-REC:
NOMINATING-OFFICER: ILYA LEVIN
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
SABAH MOTEB IS A WELL-KNOWN IRAQI JOURNALIST; AFTER THE
DOWNFALL OF SADDAM'S REGIME, SHE PRODUCED A NUMBER OF TALK
SHOWS ON POLITICAL AND SOCIAL THEMES FOR IRAQI TV STATIONS;
LATELY, SHE WORKED WITH THE INTERNATIONAL REPUBLICAN
INSTITUTE TO HOST POLITICAL TALK SHOWS ON THE CONSTITUTION
AND THE UPCOMING REFERENDUM FEATURING MEMBERS OF THE
TRANSITIONAL NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (TNA); AS THE EDITOR OF AL-
TAAKHI NEWSPAPER'S WEEKLY SOCIAL SECTION, SABAH HAS

PUBLISHED ARTICLES, REPORTS AND FEATURE STORIES ABOUT IRAQI SOCIETY; SABAH IS ALSO A PUBLISHED AUTHOR; HER FIRST NOVEL WON A SECOND PRIZE IN A LITERARY COMPETITION IN THE UNITED ARAB EMIRATES IN 2001; SUBJECT PROGRAM WILL ALLOW THIS TALENTED, AMBITIOUS AND HIGHLY VISIBLE JOURNALIST TO MAKE VALUABLE PROFESSIONAL CONNECTIONS IN THE UNITED STATES; IT WILL ALSO PROVIDE HER WITH NEW INSIGHTS AND PERSPECTIVES THAT WILL HAVE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON HER WORK.

END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:

NOM-OFF: ASSISTANT CULTURAL AFFAIRS OFFICER / BAGHDAD

SPEAKER: NO

NOTIFY-EMB: YES

MEDIA: NO

HOME-STAY: NO

HOME-HOSP: YES

E-I-TYPE: INTERPRETER

NOMINEE-ID: 619

PERSON-ID: 617

BIRTH-CNTRY-ID: IZ

CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: IZ

RES-CNTRY-ID: IZ

FIRST-LANG-ID: AR

E-I-TYPE-ID: I

NOM-POST-ID: 2887

NOM-FUNDING-CNTRY-ID: 0

NOM-STATUS: N

DS2019-ACTION: 1

DS2019-SUBJECT: 09.0401

SPONS-FUNDS: 8000

SPONS-AGENCY1:

USGOVT-AGENCY1:

US-AGENCY-AMT1: 0

USGOVT-AGENCY2:

US-AGENCY-AMT2: 0

INTL-ORG1:

INTL-ORG-AMOUNT1: 0

INTL-ORG2:

INTL-ORG-AMOUNT2: 0

VIS-GOVT-AMT: 0

COMMISSION: 0

OTHER-AMOUNT: 0

VIS-AMOUNT: 0

VIS-CAT: 5

END BIO:

START BIO:

PREFIX: MS.

F-NAME: ZAINAB

M-NAME: KH.

L-NAME: SHA'ALAN

SUFFIX:

POSITION-CODE: 622

PRINCIPAL: YES

GENDER: F

DOB: 04/10/1969

MAR-STAT: S

BIRTH-CITY: BAGHDAD

BIRTH-CNTRY: IRAQ

CITIZ-CNTRY: IRAQ

RES-CNTRY: IRAQ

START MEMO POSITION:

REPORTER-ALZAWRA NEWSPAPER

END MEMO POSITION:

START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

REPORTER-NABAD AL-SHBAB NEWSPAPER

END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:

END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:

START MEMO US-TRAVEL:

NONE

END MEMO US-TRAVEL:

START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:

JORDAN

END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:

START MEMO EDUCATION:

MUCH ACADEMIC TRAINING IN THE PRESS FIELD. SHE HAS MANY

CERTIFICATES REFERRING TO THIS TRAINING.

END MEMO EDUCATION:

START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:

IRAQI PRESS UNION AND BAGHDAD PRESS COMMUNITY.

END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:

START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:

SHE HAS MANY PUBLISHED WORKS.

END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:

START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:

ISLAMIC DIET

END MEMO SPEC-CONSID:

FIRST-LANG: ARABIC

ENGL-READ: 2

ENGL-SPEAK: 2

ENGL-COMP: 2

START MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:

END MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:

START MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:

END MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:
START MEMO VIS-OBJ:
END MEMO VIS-OBJ:
START MEMO VIS-REC:

END MEMO VIS-REC:
NOMINATING-OFFICER: SYLVIA BLACKWOOD
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
THIS REPORTER IS VERY ACTIVE AND BRAVE; SHE HAS TRAVELED ALL
AROUND IRAQ WITH THE AMERICAN FORCES FOR ABOUT TWO YEARS;
HER SELF-DESCRIBED MISSION WITHIN THE IRAQI SOCIETY INVOLVES
DEMONSTRATING THAT MEN AND WOMEN ARE EQUAL; SHE HAS PROVEN
THAT SHE CAN DO HER JOB AND GET THE GOOD STORIES EVEN IN THE
COMBAT AREAS.

END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
NOM-OFF: PRESS SECTION - US EMBASSY - BAGHDAD
SPEAKER: NO
NOTIFY-EMB: YES
MEDIA: NO
HOME-STAY: NO
HOME-HOSP: YES
E-I-TYPE: INTERPRETER
NOMINEE-ID: 620
PERSON-ID: 618
BIRTH-CNTRY-ID: IZ
CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: IZ
RES-CNTRY-ID: IZ
FIRST-LANG-ID: AR
E-I-TYPE-ID: I
NOM-POST-ID: 2887
NOM-FUNDING-CNTRY-ID: 0
NOM-STATUS: N
DS2019-ACTION: 1
DS2019-SUBJECT: 09.0401
SPONS-FUNDS: 8000
SPONS-AGENCY1:
USGOVT-AGENCY1:
US-AGENCY-AMT1: 0
USGOVT-AGENCY2:
US-AGENCY-AMT2: 0
INTL-ORG1:
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT1: 0
INTL-ORG2:
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT2: 0
VIS-GOVT-AMT: 0
COMMISSION: 0
OTHER-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-CAT: 5
END BIO:
START BIO:
PREFIX: MS.
F-NAME: HUDA
M-NAME: J.
L-NAME: MOHAMMED
SUFFIX:
POSITION-CODE: 621
PRINCIPAL: YES
GENDER: F
DOB: 02/21/1964
MAR-STAT: S
BIRTH-CITY: BAGHDAD
BIRTH-CNTRY: IRAQ
CITIZ-CNTRY: IRAQ
RES-CNTRY: IRAQ
START MEMO POSITION:
EDITOR IN CHIEF / BAGHDAD OFFICE/ AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT
NEWSPAPER
END MEMO POSITION:
START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
CHIEF OF THE NEWS DEPARTMENT IN AL - SUMERRIA SATELLITE
CHANNEL/9 MONTHS IN 2004-2005; DEPUTY EDITOR IN CHIEF/AL-
FORAT NEWSPAPER/2003-2004; DEPUTY EDITOR IN CHIEF/ AL-SIYADA
NEWSPAPER/ 2003-2004; EDITOR/ ALJUMHURIA NEWSPAPER/1990-
2003; DEPUTY EDITOR IN CHIEF /WOMEN MAGAZINE/ 1986-1990
END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:
NONE
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
EGYPT; BEIRUT - 2004 - BUSINESS; AMMAN - 2002, 2003, 2004 -
BUSINESS; LONDON - 2004- BUSINESS

END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
START MEMO EDUCATION:
COLLEGE OF INFORMATION - COMMUNICATION/ UNIVERSITY OF
BAGHDAD/ DEPARTMENT OF TELEVISION AND BROADCASTING

END MEMO EDUCATION:
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:

MEMBER OF IRAQI JOURNALISTS UNION; MEMBER OF ARAB
JOURNALISTS UNION

END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
NONE
END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:
ISLAMIC DIET
END MEMO SPEC-CONSID:
FIRST-LANG: ARABIC
ENGL-READ: 1
ENGL-SPEAK: 1
ENGL-COMP: 1
START MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:

END MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:
START MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:

END MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:
START MEMO VIS-OBJ:

END MEMO VIS-OBJ:
START MEMO VIS-REC:

END MEMO VIS-REC:
NOMINATING-OFFICER: SYLVIA BLACKWOOD
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
MS. HUDA IS AN UNWAVERING SUPPORTER OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS; HER
ARTICLES ARE OFTEN DEDICATED TO WOMEN'S ISSUES; SHE WRITES
ABOUT THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN THE CONSTITUTION; SHE IS A WOMAN
OF RESPONSIBILITY AND WORTH; THE EMBASSY HAS HOSTED HER AS A
GUEST AT A WOMEN'S ISSUES EVENT WITH AMERICAN FEMINIST
ROSELYN O'CONNELL, WHERE SHE SUCCESSFULLY FIELDLED BOTH
POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN
THE DEMOCRATIC IRAQ; SHE CURRENTLY IS THE BUREAU CHIEF AT AL-
SHARQ AL-AWSAT NEWSPAPER.
END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
NOM-OFF: PRESS SECTION -US EMBASSY- BAGHDAD
SPEAKER: NO
NOTIFY-EMB: YES
MEDIA: NO
HOME-STAY: NO
HOME-HOSP: YES
E-I-TYPE: INTERPRETER
NOMINEE-ID: 621
PERSON-ID: 619
BIRTH-CNTRY-ID: IZ
CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: IZ
RES-CNTRY-ID: IZ
FIRST-LANG-ID: AR
E-I-TYPE-ID: I
NOM-POST-ID: 2887
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INTL-ORG1:
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT1: 0
INTL-ORG2:
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT2: 0
VIS-GOVT-AMT: 0
COMMISSION: 0
OTHER-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-CAT: 5
END BIO:
START BIO:
PREFIX: MS.
F-NAME: MONTAHA
M-NAME: H.
L-NAME: AHMED
SUFFIX:
POSITION-CODE: 621
PRINCIPAL: YES
GENDER: F
DOB: 07/01/1969
MAR-STAT: M
BIRTH-CITY: BAGHDAD
BIRTH-CNTRY: IRAQ
CITIZ-CNTRY: IRAQ
RES-CNTRY: IRAQ
START MEMO POSITION:
EDITOR IN CHIEF - AL-DIYAR NEWSPAPER
END MEMO POSITION:
START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
CORRESPONDENT - ARAB VOICE RADIO - 2003-PRESENT; SUPERVISOR

OF PAGE IN AL-ZEWRA'A NEWSPAPER 1992-2003

END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:
NONE
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
EGYPT FOR MEDIA CONFERENCE; JORDAN FOR TRAINING COURSE ABOUT
ELECTION IN IRAQ

END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
START MEMO EDUCATION:
UNIVERSITY OF BAGHDAD (BACHELOR IN MEDIA)
END MEMO EDUCATION:
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
UNION OF WOMEN JOURNALISTS; IRAQI TV & BROADCASTING UNION.

END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
CONSTITUTION; ELECTION; WOMEN; HUMAN RIGHTS

END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:

END MEMO SPEC-CONSID:
FIRST-LANG: ARABIC
ENGL-READ: 3
ENGL-SPEAK: 3
ENGL-COMP: 3
START MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:

END MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:
START MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:

END MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:
START MEMO VIS-OBJ:

END MEMO VIS-OBJ:
START MEMO VIS-REC:

END MEMO VIS-REC:
NOMINATING-OFFICER: SYLVIA BLACKWOOD
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
MONTAHA IS THE FIRST JOURNALIST WHO ESTABLISHED A
JOURNALIST'S SYNDICATE IN IRAQ FOR WOMEN; THIS SYNDICATE HAS
BEEN HELPING WOMEN FOR ABOUT 6 MONTHS; THE CONCEPT OF WOMEN
HELPING WOMEN IS A VERY ENCOURAGING DEVELOPMENT; MONTAHA IS
A VERY ACTIVE, STRONG AND PROVOCATIVE REPORTER; SHE BEGAN
HER CAREER AT A SMALL NEWSPAPER AND SOON PROGRESSED TO THE
POSITION OF EDITOR IN CHIEF; SHE WANTS TO HELP IRAQI WOMEN
BECOME STRONG MEMBERS OF SOCIETY; LEARNING ABOUT WOMEN'S
ROLES IN THE UNITED STATES WOULD GREATLY HELP HER IN HER
WORK; SHE STRONGLY DEFENDS WOMEN'S RIGHTS IN HER OWN
COUNTRY AND WOULD RELISH THE CHANCE TO LEARN ABOUT THE ROLE
THAT AMERICAN WOMEN PLAY IN MAINTAINING DEMOCRACY.

END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:

NOM-OFF: PRESS SECTION - BAGHDAD

SPEAKER: NO

NOTIFY-EMB: NO

MEDIA: NO

HOME-STAY: NO

HOME-HOSP: YES

E-I-TYPE: INTERPRETER

NOMINEE-ID: 622

PERSON-ID: 620

BIRTH-CNTRY-ID: IZ

CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: IZ

RES-CNTRY-ID: IZ

FIRST-LANG-ID: AR

E-I-TYPE-ID: I

NOM-POST-ID: 2887

NOM-FUNDING-CNTRY-ID: 0

NOM-STATUS: N

DS2019-ACTION: 1

DS2019-SUBJECT: 09.0401

SPONS-FUNDS: 8000

SPONS-AGENCY1:

USGOVT-AGENCY1:

US-AGENCY-AMT1: 0

USGOVT-AGENCY2:

US-AGENCY-AMT2: 0

INTL-ORG1:

INTL-ORG-AMOUNT1: 0

INTL-ORG2:

INTL-ORG-AMOUNT2: 0

VIS-GOVT-AMT: 0

COMMISSION: 0

OTHER-AMOUNT: 0

VIS-AMOUNT: 0

VIS-CAT: 5

END BIO:

START BIO:

PREFIX: MS.

F-NAME: EYMAN

M-NAME: H.

L-NAME: THAMER

SUFFIX:
POSITION-CODE: 331
PRINCIPAL: YES
GENDER: F
DOB: 09/25/1959
MAR-STAT: S
BIRTH-CITY: BASRAH
BIRTH-CNTRY: IRAQ
CITIZ-CNTRY: IRAQ
RES-CNTRY: IRAQ
START MEMO POSITION:
DIRECTOR OF AL-FAYHA'A TV STATION, IRAQ
END MEMO POSITION:
START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
2003 - 2004: PRODUCER AND EDITOR, IRAQI MEDIA NETWORK, IRAQ;
2003: PRODUCER AND EDITOR IN IRAQI MEDIA NETWORK - KUWAIT;
1999: EDITOR AND REPORTER, AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT NEWSPAPER
(MIDDLE EAST NEWSPAPER) (KUWAIT); 1999 - 2002: EDITOR AND
REPORTER, AL-SHARQ AL-AWSAT NEWSPAPER (MIDDLE EAST
NEWSPAPER) (EGYPT)

END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:
NONE
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
EGYPT; LONDON; ITALY; GERMAN; KUWAIT

END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
START MEMO EDUCATION:
DIPLOMA FROM THE SUPREME INSTITUTE FOR THEATER ARTS
END MEMO EDUCATION:
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
MEMBER OF IRAQI WRITERS UNION; MEMBER OF KUWAITI JOURNALISTS
ASSOCIATION; FOUNDER OF THE IRAQI-KUWAITI AL-TA'AKHI
ASSOCIATION

END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
BOOK ENTITLED "REMNANT OF A CANDLE"
END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:

END MEMO SPEC-CONSID:
FIRST-LANG: ARABIC
ENGL-READ: 2
ENGL-SPEAK: 2
ENGL-COMP: 2
START MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:

END MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:
START MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:

END MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:
START MEMO VIS-OBJ:

END MEMO VIS-OBJ:
START MEMO VIS-REC:

END MEMO VIS-REC:
NOMINATING-OFFICER: ILYA LEVIN
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
EYMAN IS ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF THE IRAQI MEDIA NETWORK
ESTABLISHED IN KUWAIT DIRECTLY AFTER THE DOWNFALL OF
SADDAM'S REGIME IN COOPERATION WITH U.S. COMPANY S.A.I.C
(SCIENCE APPLIED INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION); ON APRIL 15TH,
2003, SHE AND ALL HER COLLEAGUES MOVED TO BAGHDAD; WORKING
AT THE IRAQI MEDIA NETWORK, SHE WAS SHOW EDITOR AND PRODUCER
FOR MANY PROGRAMS; THE FIRST--AND VERY WELL-KNOWN--PROGRAM
WAS CALLED "PRESS AND THE GOVERNING CLASS" AND INCLUDED A
WEEKLY TALK SHOW WITH HEAD OF THE COALITION PROVISIONAL
AUTHORITY PAUL BREMER ON IRAQ-RELATED ISSUES; OTHER
PROGRAMS THAT EYMAN PRODUCED INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:
1-TALK-SHOW SERIES "FINALLY I'LL TALK" FEATURING PEOPLE WHO
SUFFERED UNDER SADDAM'S REGIME; 2-TALK SHOWS "RESUMING IRAQI-
KUWAITI POLITICAL RELATIONS" FEATURING GOVERNMENTAL
OFFICIALS; 3- TALK SHOW "POLITICAL ISSUES" WITH GOVERNING
COUNCIL MEMBERS; EYMAN WORKED AS AN EDITOR-IN-CHIEF FOR THE
MIDDLE EAST NEWSPAPER IN KUWAIT AND SHE WORKED AS PRODUCER
AND EDITOR FOR ARAB RADIO AND TV; HER MOST RECENT
APPOINTMENT IS TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF AL-FAYHA'A
TV'S BAGHDAD BUREAU; WE NOMINATE EYMAN FOR THE "ROLE OF
PRESS IN DEMOCRATIC SOCIETY" PROGRAM BECAUSE WE BELIEVE THAT
THE PROGRAM WILL SIGNIFICANTLY BENEFIT HER PROFESSIONALLY
AND PROVIDE HER WITH IMPORTANT CONTACTS IN THE UNITED
STATES; AFTER SHE RETURNS TO HER COUNTRY, SHE WILL BE ABLE
TO SHARE HER IMPRESSIONS OF U.S. DEMOCRACY WITH THE IRAQI
PEOPLE THROUGH THE PROGRAMS SHE WILL PRODUCE.

END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
NOM-OFF: ASSISTANT CULTURAL AFFAIRS OFFICER

SPEAKER: NO
NOTIFY-EMB: YES
MEDIA: NO
HOME-STAY: NO
HOME-HOSP: YES
E-I-TYPE: INTERPRETER
NOMINEE-ID: 623
PERSON-ID: 621
BIRTH-CNTRY-ID: IZ
CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: IZ
RES-CNTRY-ID: IZ
FIRST-LANG-ID: AR
E-I-TYPE-ID: I
NOM-POST-ID: 2887
NOM-FUNDING-CNTRY-ID: 0
NOM-STATUS: N
DS2019-ACTION: 1
DS2019-SUBJECT: 09.0401
SPONS-FUNDS: 8000
SPONS-AGENCY1:
USGOVT-AGENCY1:
US-AGENCY-AMT1: 0
USGOVT-AGENCY2:
US-AGENCY-AMT2: 0
INTL-ORG1:
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT1: 0
INTL-ORG2:
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT2: 0
VIS-GOVT-AMT: 0
COMMISSION: 0
OTHER-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-CAT: 5
END BIO:
START BIO:
PREFIX: MS.
F-NAME: ISRAA
M-NAME: SH.
L-NAME: HASSAN
SUFFIX:
POSITION-CODE: 621
PRINCIPAL: YES
GENDER: F
DOB: 09/01/1975
MAR-STAT:
BIRTH-CITY: BAGHDAD
BIRTH-CNTRY: IRAQ
CITIZ-CNTRY: IRAQ
RES-CNTRY: IRAQ
START MEMO POSITION:
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF (IRAQ AL-YAWM) NEWSPAPER
END MEMO POSITION:
START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
EDITOR ISHTAR MAGAZINE -1998.
END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:
TO PARTICIPATE IN JOURNALISM WORKSHOP
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
NONE
END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
START MEMO EDUCATION:
PH.D.STUDENT IN BAGHDAD UNIVERSITY-INFORMATION DEP.
SUBJECT:(REGULAR CRIMES IN TV MOVIES); MASTER'S DEGREE IN
INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTS 2000, RESEARCH SUBJECT:(PROPAGANDA
EMPLOYMENT OF CULTURAL PROGRAMS VIA RADIO /BAGHDAD
UNIVERSITY-INFORMATION DEP; BAGHDAD UNIVERSITY -INFORMATION
DEP. IN 1998
END MEMO EDUCATION:
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
MEMBER OF THE IRAQI UNION OF JOURNALISTS; MEMBER IN HUMAN
RIGHTS SOCIETY; MEMBER OF ORGANIZATION FOR PEACE AND
FREEDOM; MEMBER IN AMNESTY ORGANIZATION FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS.

END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
NONE
END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:

END MEMO SPEC-CONSID:
FIRST-LANG: ARABIC
ENGL-READ: 3
ENGL-SPEAK: 3
ENGL-COMP: 3
START MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:

END MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:
START MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:

END MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:
START MEMO VIS-OBJ:

END MEMO VIS-OBJ:
START MEMO VIS-REC:

END MEMO VIS-REC:
NOMINATING-OFFICER: SYLVIA BLACKWOOD
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
MS. ISRAA IS CURRENTLY WORKING ON HER PHD IN MEDIA STUDIES
AT BAGHDAD UNIVERSITY; SHE HAS PROVEN HERSELF TO BE A
GIFTED, BRAVE AND PROFESSIONAL JOURNALIST; HER WORK AT AL-
IRAQ AL-YAWM NEWSPAPER IS EXEMPLARY OF HER TALENT AND HER
MORAL COURAGE; SHE BEGAN HER CAREER AS A REPORTER AT THIS
NEWSPAPER AND PROGRESSED TO THE POSITION OF EDITOR IN CHIEF;
SHE RECENTLY BEGAN WORKING ON THE MAGAZINE "SHANASHEEL,"
PUBLISHED IN BOTH ARABIC AND ENGLISH; HER WORK ON BEHALF OF
IRAQI WOMEN WILL GREATLY BENEFIT FROM THIS TRAINING.
END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
NOM-OFF: PRESS SECTION -US EMBASSY -BAGHDAD
SPEAKER: NO
NOTIFY-EMB: YES
MEDIA: NO
HOME-STAY: NO
HOME-HOSP: YES
E-I-TYPE: INTERPRETER
NOMINEE-ID: 624
PERSON-ID: 622
BIRTH-CNTRY-ID: IZ
CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: IZ
RES-CNTRY-ID: IZ
FIRST-LANG-ID: AR
E-I-TYPE-ID: I
NOM-POST-ID: 2887
NOM-FUNDING-CNTRY-ID: 0
NOM-STATUS: N
DS2019-ACTION: 1
DS2019-SUBJECT: 09.0401
SPONS-FUNDS: 8000
SPONS-AGENCY1:
USGOVT-AGENCY1:
US-AGENCY-AMT1: 0
USGOVT-AGENCY2:
US-AGENCY-AMT2: 0
INTL-ORG1:
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT1: 0
INTL-ORG2:
INTL-ORG-AMOUNT2: 0
VIS-GOVT-AMT: 0
COMMISSION: 0
OTHER-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-CAT: 5
END BIO:
END NOMINATION:
END FIXED-FORMAT TEXT:
14. PLEASE ADVISE ACCEPTANCE.
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